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PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE

Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board

Pursuant to A.R.S. §8-1194(A) and A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the First Things First Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board, and to the general public that the Board will hold a **regular meeting open to the public on Tuesday, February 24, 2009 beginning at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at Arizona Early Childhood Development and Health Board Room, 4000 N. Central, Phoenix, Arizona 85012.** Some members of the Board may elect to attend telephonically.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A) (1), A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A) (2) and A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A) (3), the Board may vote to go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the general public, to discuss personnel items, records exempt from public inspection and/or to obtain legal advice.

The Board may hear items on the agenda out of order. The Board may discuss, consider, or take action regarding any item on the agenda.

The Board may elect to solicit public comment on any of the agenda items.

The meeting agenda is as follows;

AGENDA

1. **Call to Order** **Nadine Mathis Basha, Chair**
2. **Consent Agenda** **Nadine Mathis Basha, Chair**
All items on the agenda that are in *italics, underlined*, and marked with an asterisk (*) are consent matters and will be considered by a single motion with no discussion. All other items will be considered individually. Any matter on the consent agenda will be removed from the consent agenda and discussed upon the request of any Board member.
 - A. **Minutes of the January 27, 2009 Board Meeting (Attachment #1)*
3. **Board Member Report/Updates** **Board Members**
4. **Call to the Public** **Nadine Mathis Basha, Chair**
This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Board may not discuss or take legal action regarding matters that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.01(H), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date. Public comments relative to a specific agenda item may be heard during the discussion of that item.
5. **Communication Plan(Attachment #2) (Attachment #3) (Attachment #4)** **Mary Jo West, Assistant Director for Communications**
Discussion and Possible Approval of the Communication Plan
6. **Legislative Update and Possible Discussion** **Sandy Carpenter, Governmental Affairs Specialist**
 - A. State
 - B. Federal

7. Policy Updates

- A. Statewide Initiatives (**Attachment #5**)
- B. Health Strategies Recommendations (**Attachment #6**)
- C. Statewide Competitive Grants

**Sandy Foreman, Assistant Director
for Policy & Research**

Discussion and Possible Award of Statewide Competitive Grants

The Board may choose to discuss Competitive Grant applicants in Executive Session. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A) (2), the Board may vote to go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, to discuss records exempt from public inspection and/or obtain legal advice regarding Competitive Grant applicants.

- D. Teacher Education and Compensation Helps (T.E.A.C.H.) (**Attachment #7 a & b**)
Presentation by Sharon Brady Program Coordinator for
T.E.A.C.H. Arizona Early Childhood

8. Regional Administration Presentation

**Michelle Katona, Assistant
Director for Regional Admin.**

- A. Regional Partnership Council Member Applicants
Discussion and Possible Appointment of Regional Partnership Council Members

The Board may choose to discuss Regional Council applicants in Executive Session. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A) (1) and A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A) (3), the Board may vote to go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, to discuss personnel items or to obtain legal advice regarding Regional Council applicants.

- B. Regional Report (**Attachment #8**)

- C. Discretionary Funding (**Attachment #9**)

Elliott Hibbs, Director

Discussion and Possible Approval of Discretionary Funding

- D. Regional Funding Plans and Strategies Requiring Further Development
Discussion and Possible Approval of Regional Funding Plans

(Attachment #10 a & b) (Attachment #11 a,b & c) (Attachment #12 a,b,c &d) (Attachment #13 a,b,c &d)

9. Executive Director Report

Elliott Hibbs, Director

10. Meeting Update

Nadine Mathis Basha, Chair

Tuesday March 24, 2009 –Phoenix, Arizona

11. Adjourn

Dated this 13th day of February 2009

ARIZONA EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT & HEALTH BOARD



J. Elliott Hibbs, Executive Director

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